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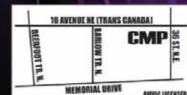








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Toll lanes unnecessary in Alta.: Official



Toll lanes could be the solution to traffic congestion in Calgary, according to a Canadian think tank.

However, a provincial spokesperson said Alberta simply doesn't need them.

The C.D. Howe Institute released a report yesterday stating a high-occupancy toll (HOT) lane on Deerfoot Trail could gross \$40 million annually, while alleviating traffic congestion.

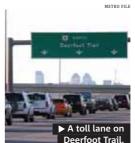
While tolls roads have been explored, they've never been seriously considaccording provincial transportation spokesperson Trent Ban-

"In Alberta, even within the next decade, we're barely at the cusp of congestion," said Bancarz. "What we think of as congestion, if you compare it to London, New York, L.A., some place like that, a person from that city would go 'what congestion?' "

Ald. Brian Pincott said the city needs to take smaller steps toward improving existing infrastructure like introducing dedicated bus lanes and carpool lanes

"Honestly, I think we're a long way from that," he said. "Toll roads are typically used not as a congestion measure but as a means of paying for infrastructure."

As it currently stands, Bancarz said provincial policy states that toll lanes can only be built on a new road and not on any of the exist-





City may see fewer officers



Some police positions may be lost as part of ongoing budget audit



JEREMY NOLAIS

Five of Calgary's senior police officers have accepted contract buyouts and up to 40 staffing positions may not be refilled as part of an ongoing budget evaluation.

Chief Roger Deputy Chaffin confirmed to Metro yesterday that one model to account for a \$10million budget gap next year projects losing 40 officer positions.

No actual officers will be fired, but some positions could be lost as staff retire or transfer, Chaffin said.

"We certainly like the ability to keep the organization relevant, to be able to hire to attrition and keep the right people," Chaffin said. "It slows us down on the progress we are making,

The service presently employs more than 1,900 officers, but Calgary Police Association John Dooks said losing 40 officers

Police budget

- Evaluation. The ongoing police budget evaluation came at the request of the city. Police Chief Rick
- Senior staff. Buyouts had been offered to some of the 30 most senior staff within the Calgary Police Service. Deputy Chief Roger Chaffin said it's unlikely any more than the five buyouts already approved will go

could pose a serious threat to service.

"You would be losing one officer off of every shift in every district," he

The Calgary Police Commission will have to sign off on any cuts. Chair Mike Shaikh said official proposals from the budget committee are expected near the end of the month.

"Everything's on the table," he said.

Former Newfoundland premier **Brian Tobin** says his son will 'pay the price' for role in DUI death. Video at



Taxi driver's killer granted day parole

Day parole has reportedly been granted to the murderer of a Banff taxi driver 19 years ago.

During a two-hour hearing yesterday, the National Parole Board found convicted killer Ryan Love to be sincere when expressing remorse for the death of Lucie Turmel.

Turmel was killed for her night's earnings in

Love, who turns 40 this month, will now reportedly live in a halfway house for six months and

must abide by a curfew along with other conditions.

He will not be allowed to contact Turmel's family or consume any alcohol or drugs during the curfew, according to reports.

News in brief

Calgary ranks 28th in speed traps

MOTORISTS. Calgary ranks 28th in North America when it comes to the number of police speed traps, according to the National Motorists Association.

The group acts under the assumption that police return to similar locations routinely to log lead-footed drivers.

Calgary averages two speed traps per 100,000 residents based on the 2010 census, the association said.

Edmonton. meanwhile, ranked 19th with 3.3 traps per 100,000 residents.





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Jailed in school scandal

An Alberta woman involved in a high school sex scandal involving two 16-yearold boys is going to jail for two years.

Tanya Marie Cossette, 41, also received two years probation after entering guilty pleas to sexual exploitation and Internet luring.

Cossette was arrested after students at Oilfields High School in Black Diamond alerted staff about rumours of inappropriate relationships between two boys and Cossette, who worked in the principal's office.

Court heard Cossette had sex on two occasions with one teen and exchanged sexually explicit phone texts with both.

She also gave them gifts and smoked marijuana with them.

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Local man set for trial in killing

A 25-year-old Calgary man will go on trial for second-degree murder in the death of a college student outside a bar last fall.

Nicholas Baier, 18, was killed when a Ford F-250 drove into a group outside the Texas Mickey bar in Olds shortly after midnight. A second man, aged 19, was injured.

The Crown had argued Jeffrey Leinin should face a charge of first-degree murder.

Leinin's lawyer, Andre Ouellette, said the lesser charge is a step in the right direction.

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No more dogs, cats allowed at Petland

Adoption-only is the new plan



Customers at a northwest Calgary Petland will no longer see puppies for sale in the window. The store has decided to move to an adoption-only model.

Rather than selling dogs and cats in store, the Coventry Hills location will partner with local rescue organizations and hold adopt-a-thons.

Petland spokesperson Robert Church said this is a trial run for the chain and a decision to have other stores stop selling dogs and cats would not be taken lightly.



"We're just trying it out at this point," he said. "We're certainly not apologizing for having animals in our stores. We think we provide a valuable service to the public by offering them choice and that's really important."

Jennifer Kaiser, o

Pets, pets, pets

- Petland has eight locations in Calgary.
 - The first Petland in Canada to move to an adoption only model is in Winnipeg.
- As of today, national chain PJ's Pets and Pets Unlimited will no longer be selling animals in store. They will be partnering with rescue groups to find animals homes.

founder of Actions Speak Louder Calgary — a campaign advocating a ban on the sale of companion animals — praised the Petland move.

"It's a great start but we aren't going to go quietly until they all do. It would say a lot if all Petlands were to do it."



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Stolen bike found online

- Father surfing on Kijiji helps recover two-wheeler worth \$500
- Court date likely pending for possible thief



Someone looking to make a quick buck off a stolen bike is now facing a court date.

Calgary resident Lonnie Taylor gave up finding his two-wheeler after someone cut the lock and stole it.

Luckily, his father was

surfing for a replacement on Kijiji and spotted what looked like the same mod-

Taylor confirmed the serial number on the bike matched and police recovered the bike this week.

"My dad said to me, 'Take advice from your old man, don't give up,' " Taylor said with a chuckle.

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Minimum wage increase 'nothing'

Minimum wage earners will see a slight boost on their paycheques beginning today. But a local antipoverty group argues the increase amounts to noth-

Alberta's minimum wage has gone from \$8.80 to a new two-tiered system that will see some making \$9.40 and others earning \$9.05.

Statistics Canada also released changes to the Low-Income Cut Off (LICO) data, which shows Calgary's LICO for 2011 has risen from \$22,229 annually to \$22,637.

Because of this, Dan Meades of Vibrant Communities Calgary argues the minimum wage hike will make no difference in the lives of those living in poverty.

"That's really the main concern. We know what

400,000 According to Vibrant Communities Calgary, there are 400,000 Albertans living in poverty.

the cost of living is rising faster than the minimum wage is increasing," he said. "I can't think of a more regressive wage policy than one that doesn't keep up with cost of liv-

ing."

Meades said he hopes

doesn't delay boosting the minimum wage yet again, and adds a provincial poverty reduction strategy is needed.

"The only way this province can stop spending this much money on people living in poverty is to decrease the number of people living in poverty." ♠ KATIE TURNER/METRO

Broker hopes to sell CBE building

The Calgary Board of Education has retained a commercial real-estate firm in hopes of finding a buyer for the former education centre.

CBE staff has now fully moved into a new centre at 1221 8th Street S.W.

CB Richard Ellis has been engaged as the primary broker.

The board did not receive any public tender offers during a period in the

There will be no formal list price for the property.

News in brief

New station for residents

Calgary fire officials broke new ground at the new South Calgary fire station yesterday. The station is set to be operational by 2013 and will serve 28,000 residents.

Clues sought in bar brawl

Police are asking the public for clues following a brawl inside Morgan's Pub, Tuesday. Up to 20 people were involved at 1324 17th Ave. S.W. • metro





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How other provincial distracted driving laws measure up

- Statistics reveal wide range of fine payments and recorded infractions
- Alberta was last province to put law into effect

BRITISH COLUMBIA

- ► Date implemented: Jan. 1, 2010
- ▶ Penalty for violation: \$167 plus 3 demerits for using communication devices or for those holding graduated license; \$167 and no demerits for use of noncommunication devices
- Prohibited activities: Talking on handheld device, texting, emailing, using other electronics,
 Recorded infractions:

32,000 in 2010

SASKATCHEWAN

- ► Date implemented: Jan. 1, 2010
- ➤ Penalty for violation: \$280 ticket plus \$60 victims' surcharge and 4 demerits
- Prohibited activities:
 Talking on handheld device, texting, emailing, web-surfing
- ► Recorded infractions: 1,636 in 2010

QUEBEC

- ▶ Date implemented: April 1, 2008
- ▶ Penalty for violation: \$115-\$154 ticket depending on severity and 3 demerits
- ▶ Prohibited activities: Talking on handheld device, texting and emailing
- Recorded infractions:
 44,479 infractions in 2009
 (2010 statistics not yet available)

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

- ► Date implemented: Jan. 23, 2010
- ▶ Penalty for violation: \$250-\$400 ticket and 3 demerits
- ➤ **Prohibited activities:**Talking on handheld device, texting and emailing
- ➤ Recorded infractions: 133 infractions during first year of enforcement up to June 28, 2010 (province held period of "soft" enforcement in early 2010)

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says law will ramp

up road

safety

Calgary police chief Rick Hanson deems the habits of some city motorists "stupid" and says distracted driving legislation unveiled today is long awaited and necessary.

The law now allows police officers to slap a \$172 fine on motorists using handheld devices or performing other attentiongrabbing activities.

Since it was announced last year, questions have been raised about the enforceability and perceived grey areas of the legislation. An analysis of provinces where similar forms of the legislation already exist reveals a wide range of penalties and recorded infractions.

"You will always find small exemptions with any law where it hasn't been effective," Hanson told Metro. "The reality is in a lot of places it's had an impact on improving people's driving habits as opposed to them checking their Facebook page or figuring out where to go for coffee."

Questions were also raised to Metro in the fall over why emergency service workers are exempt from the legislation.

Hanson said his officers have adequate road training and the expectation is they only use handheld devices for professional purposes.

He said everyone else is expected to abide by the law.

"If people want to act like police officers then become a cop," he said.

JEREMY NOLAIS

ALBERTA

- ► Date implemented: Sept. 1, 2011
- ► Penalty for violation: \$172 ticket
- ▶ Prohibited activities:
 Talking on handheld device, texting, emailing, web-surfing, using other electronics, programming GPS devices while vehicle is in motion, reading, writing, personal grooming
- ► Recorded infractions: TBD

MANITOBA

- ► Date implemented: July 15, 2010
- ► Penalty for violation: \$200 ticket
- ▶ Prohibited activities: Talking on handheld device, texting, emailing, web-surfing
- ► Recorded infractions: About 2,600 between July 2010 – July 2011

ONTARIO

- ► Date implemented: Oct. 26, 2009
- ► Penalty for violation: \$155 ticket
- ► Prohibited activities: Talking on handheld device, texting, emailing, using other electronics
- ➤ Recorded infractions: Nearly 46,000 in 2010, actual ticketing didn't begin until Feb. 1, 2010.

NOVA SCOTIA

- ► Date implemented: April 1, 2008
- ▶ Penalty for violation: \$164.50 ticket for first-time offence and up to \$337 ticket for subsequent offences
- ➤ **Prohibited activities:**Talking on handheld device, texting, and emailing
- ➤ Recorded infractions: 1,812 infractions during fiscal year 2010-2011

Quiz on the basics

We wanted to know how many Albertans knew the basics of this province's new distracted driving law.

So we put together a quick online quiz and more than 430 Albertans took the time to go through the 10 questions.

It's just a snapshot of some of the more common questions people might have in relation to today's new legislation.

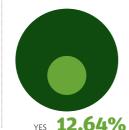
It's not a scientific poll but if you did take the quiz online, you can see how you fared and how you may have compared with other Albertans.

Remember, if caught distracted while behind the wheel, it could cost you \$172. Drive safe!

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Q: Are you allowed to answer a phone call using a handheld but then switch it to hands-free? A: No.

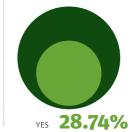
87.36% NO



Q: Are you allowed to use handheld devices while using non-motorized trans-

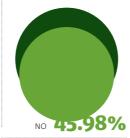
portation, like a bike? A: No.

71.26% NO



Q: Are you allowed to drink coffee using one hand from a regular-sized mug? A: Yes.

54.02% yes



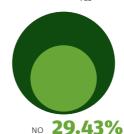
Q: Are you allowed to have a pet riding with restraints in the passenger seat?

73.10% YES



Q: Are you allowed to read directions from a GPS system or road map? A: Yes.

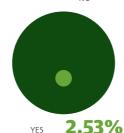
70.57% VES



Q: Are you allowed to type co-ordinates into a GPS sys-

tem while rolling? A: No.

97.47% NO



Q: Are you allowed to eat a hamburger? A: No.

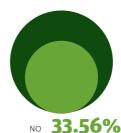
77.93% NO



YES 22.07%

Q: Are you allowed to smoke a cigarette? A: Yes.

66.44%_{YES}



Q: Are you allowed to let someone in the passenger seat use electronic devices, such as a laptop? A: Yes.

88.97% yes



11.03%

Q: Are you allowed to use a camera quickly to snap photos of a roadside attraction?

97.70% NO



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These jerseys won't get ice time

Bogus Winnipeg Jets jerseys have been stopped at the Canadian border. Mounties and the Canada Border Service Agency officers seized a shipment of counterfeit sweaters bearing the newest NHL team's logo and shoulder flashes. Police estimate the retail value would have been about \$12,000. No charges have been laid so far.

Even in death Jack boosts NDP

New poll has party tied with Tories O Grits trail far behind Pollster asks: Can NDP consolidate gains?

Jack Layton's death has triggered another orange wave across the country, a new poll suggests.

The Canadian Press Harris-Decima survey pegs support for the NDP at 33 per cent — tied with the ruling Conservatives and well ahead of the Liberals at 21 per cent.

That's almost a threepoint gain for the New Democrats since the May 2 election, which vaulted the party into official Opposition status.

The Tories are down almost seven points, the Liberals are up two.

Harris-Decima man Allan Gregg said the NDP gain is most likely at-



tributable to "the Jack ef-

"The national outpouring of emotion we witnessed over Jack Layton's untimely death appears to have translated directly into increased support for the party he leaves behind," Gregg said.

Layton died Aug. 22 after a battle with an undisclosed form of cancer.

Deported twice, he's back — and busted

A fugitive who was deported from Canada twice, returned and appeared on the government's mostwanted list, has been arrested in Toronto.

Public Safety Minister

Vic Toews said yesterday Wasford Uriah Steer was arrested Monday.

Steer, 39, was last deported to Jamaica in 2000. Toews said it's not

known when, where or

how he returned to Canada, adding he could have used a fake passport.

"He could have come in under someone else's passport and could have been here the day after he left,'

Toews said in Regina. "This guy's quite creative."

Toews said police picked up Steer on other charges and then found he was wanted by the Canada Border Services Agency.

The agency said Steer, who has five known aliases, is in Canada illegally after he was convicted of various crimes, including possession of counterfeit money, assault causing

bodily harm and assault with a weapon.

Toews said it's tough to keep people like Steer out of the country if they use fake travel documents.

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Tobin's son jailed in drunk-driving tragedy

Jack Tobin, described as a "good son" who made a serious mistake, was sentenced to jail yesterday for a drunken escapade that killed his best friend.

The 24-year-old son of former Newfoundland premier Brian Tobin was sentenced to three years and handed a seven-year ban on driving once his sentence expires for his role in the death of buddy, Alex Zolpis.

Tobin pleaded guilty in May to impaired driving causing death.

Brian Tobin said Jack has been "a good son and



a good brother. He made a serious mistake," the former premier and federal cabinet minister said.

"He's going to pay the price of that mistake."

He said his son still has potential.

"The best way he can honour his friend Alex is to have a good life and make a contribution to his community. We know that

Zolpis died pinned under a pickup truck after some drunken hijinks on the roof of a parking lot.

Judge Lise Maisonneuve said she took into account Tobin's extreme remorse and his decision to plead guilty and forgo a trial in reaching her decision. But she also considered his previous record with alcohol and cars.

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Strong words, warning from Iranian leaders

♠ Message directed at the West and allies making gains during Arab spring ♠ Citizens warned not to let the U.S. dominate their country

Iran's top leader warned the Arab world yesterday not to allow Western powers and Israel to "confiscate" the region's pro-reform uprisings, in comments that appear to reflect the Islamic republic's unease about their standing in a profoundly altered Middle East.

Iran has tried to walk two paths since the prodemocracy rebellions began in February — lauding the popular revolts as modern-day heirs to Iran's 1979 Islamic revolution, while maintaining relentless pressure on opposition groups at home.

But Iran is at risk of seri-



ous political setbacks. Iran's main Mideast ally, Syria's Bashar Assad, is under growing international pressure for his fierce crackdown on anti-government protests.

Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, in a speech broadcast on Iran's state TV to mark the end of the Muslim holy "Who thought American and Zionist agents in the region would fall one after the other? This is the powerful hand of the Islamic nations."

AYATOLLAH ALI KHAMENEI

month of Ramadan, reflected the added worries that the West and its allies could gain ground in the Arab Spring.

"Muslim nations in Egypt, Libya, Tunisia, Yemen or other countries need vigilance today. They should not allow enemies to confiscate the victories achieved," they've Khamenei said. "They should not forget that those who have come to the scene in Libya (U.S. and NATO) today and consider themselves owners of the uprising are the same people who used to sit and drink with those who once suppressed the Libyan nation."

In Iran's view, collapse of pro-U.S. governments in Egypt and Tunisia were strong blows to U.S. influence in the region and a new "Islamic awakening." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS





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Sarkozy critical of U.S.

French President Nicolas Sarkozy has criticized the U.S. for elbowing Europe and others out of the way in the Middle East peace process.

Sarkozy told a gathering yesterday of France's ambassadors that while Washington is irreplaceable, "Europe doesn't have to ask for a folding chair to participate in negotiations that concern it."

He also questioned the role of the quartet — the U.S., the U.N., the European Union and Russia — which have served as the traditional mediators between Israel and the Palestinians. He said that instead, more countries should be included.

Talks between the two sides have been stalled for months.

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Sarkozy denies dirty cash claim

▶ Book says French president accepted illegal cash for 2007 campaign▶ Sarkozy allies call accusations lies

French President Nicolas Sarkozy's office vigorously denied claims in a new book that he personally took undeclared campaign cash from the heiress to the L'Oreal cosmetics fortune five years ago — claims that come just as the race for next year's presidential elections is heating up.

Sarkozy's allies suggested the accusations are a campaign ploy against the unpopular president. Similar accusations first surfaced last year.

Still, questions about how Sarkozy financed his 2007 campaign could stain his likely bid for re-election in April and May. Critics have long deemed the conservative leader too cozy with the rich, criticism that carries particular sting now that the French economy is stalling and many of his supporters are disillusioned with his leadership.

The leader of France's main opposition party, So-

cialist Martine Aubry, called for a new investigation into whether Sarkozy received illegal campaign cash from Liliane Bettencourt, Europe's richest woman.

An accountant for Bettencourt said a year ago that she gave \$72,000 in cash in 2007 to Sarkozy's party treasurer for the presidential campaign — well beyond the legal limit on individual donations. The accusations came during a series of investigations into the heiress' finances

Sarkozy's office called the claim of illegal campaign cash "scandalous, unfounded and untrue."





LOGGER CUTS OFF TOES TO ESCAPE FROM TRAILER ACCIDENT

A 61-year-old retired logger feared he might die alone in a remote forest after his right foot was pinned under his six-ton trailer. With few choices, he used a 7-centimetre pocket knife to cut off all five toes to get free.

"It hurt so bad," Jon Hutt said, "I would cut for a while and then I had to rest."

Hutt then climbed into his semi tractor-trailer, his foot wrapped in a shirt, and began driving for help.

Hutt said authorities retrieved his severed toes and took them to the hospital, but doctors said the toes couldn't be re-attached because they were too badly mangled.

"They told me there was no hope for them. They said there was nothing to attach the toes to," he said.

Instead, doctors sewed his foot shut and wrapped it in bandages. Doctors warned him he may face more surgery.

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Saskatchewans who are concerned about wrongdoing in their workplace will no longer be able to go to the media or opposition politicians under a new law.

Known as the whistleblower protection law, the Public Interest Disclosure Act takes effect today and outlines how and where workers should report wrongdoing.

Public Service Commission Minister June Draude says it gives employees a place to go internally.

There is already similar legislation in Ontario, Manitoba and Nova Scotia.

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Couple makes stop on way to the altar

Fake wedding in Vancouver one of 30 on tour
 Britons picking best place and date for nuptials



A couple from Manchester, England had a faux wedding ceremony at the Vancouver airport yesterday as part of their two-year trip around the world to find their perfect wedding location.

Alex Pelling, 31, and Lisa Gant, 29, held their sixth wedding at the Vancouver International Airport with Live@YVR winner Jaeger Mah hosting the ceremony. Since Mah is known for his

colourful Hawaiian shirts, the couple decided to have a Hawaiian-themed wedding.

Pelling wore one of Mah's famous shirts. They played music from Mah's radio as Gant walked down the "aisle", and female passengers tried to catch Gant's bouquet that was purchased at an airport flower shop.

"The idea is that we'll travel around the world (the United States, South America, Europe), and, in the end, we decide what we like the best," Pelling said. "Then we'll come back and have the final

one. All the people we've met along the way are all invited."

The engaged couple left their England home 10 weeks ago and are planning 30 wedding ceremonies during their trip. They've held "weddings" on a beach at Neck Point in Nanaimo where a First Nations elder blessed the ceremony, on horseback while in Banff, and plan to do another one in Hawaii.

Pelling said he sold his car repair shop and they both lived like hermits the past three years to pay for the wedding tour.

OILSANDS

Protesters march on embassy

Canadian aboriginals are calling upon Gary Doer, Canada's ambassador to the United States, to stop promoting Alberta's oilsands and TransCanada's proposed Keystone XL pipeline as part of his duties in the American capital.

A group of about two

dozen native activists, accompanied by Council of Canadians head Maude Barlow, marched upon the Canadian embassy on Pennsylvania Avenue yesterday to present a letter to Doer, who was in Winnipeg at the time.

In her remarks to the tiny crowd of media outside the embassy, Barlow chastised Doer.

"It is not the role of Ambassador Gary Doer to be acting as chief salesman for the energy industry in Canada. This is not his job," she said. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Canadians feeling safe in the skies

Many Canadians feel air travel is safer now than it was before the 9/11

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Council drops ban on Money for Nothing

- Dire Straits song now 'may be acceptable'
- Radio stations free to play 1985 hit again

A Canadian broadcast watchdog says its decision to deem a 1985 Dire Straits smash unfit for radio just ain't workin'.

The Canadian Broadcast Standards Council has tempered a ruling on Money For Nothing, which includes the word "faggot," saying that while the homophobic slur in the song is inappropriate, it must be taken in context and that individual radio stations can decide what listeners want to hear.

"(The council) is only saying that there may be circumstances in which even words designating unacceptably negative portrayal may be acceptable because of their contextual usage"



states the decision, released yesterday.

So, what changed since the council made its original decision?

The song's writer, Mark Knopfler, has long maintained that he was writing from the perspective of a "bonehead" whom he observed in a hardware store watching MTV, reacting with disgust to the fledgling network's flamboyant rock stars.

The council simply hadn't taken such context into account when making its original decision, said the organization's national chair Ron Cohen. But with that information in hand, the majority of the council's panel felt the word was intended satirically and not in a hateful manner.

"(The context) wasn't as evident without the explanations that have been provided," Cohen said in a telephone interview.

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Heads-up on display

Sony Corp. says it will start selling a head mounted display that provides a 3-D theatre of music videos, movies and games, targeting people who prefer solitary entertainment rather than sitting in front of a TV with family or friends.

Blockbuster closing doors on remaining stores

The remaining Blockbuster stores in Canada are to be closed.

The receiver in charge of the bankrupt movie rental company is seeking a court order to shut about 253 locations and wind down the business.

The receiver said the closure process should begin in the next few days, and existing gift cards and rewards programs will no longer be accepted.

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253
The number of Block-buster locations that

buster locations that were still operating in Canada. Another 150 stores were closed in June.

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Hollywood facing downward trends

The good news for Hollywood: summer movie revenues are up worldwide as studios rebounded from a dismally slow start to the year.

The bad news: Domestically, revenues rose only a fraction compared to the previous year's, while actual movie attendance dropped for the fourth-straight year.

Taken together, the summers of 2010 and 2011 combined for the smallest domestic audiences since the summers of 1997-98.

Since peaking at a modern high of 653 million tickets sold in summer 2002, domestic attendance has

➤ Transformers: Dark of the Moon was a megahit this summer.

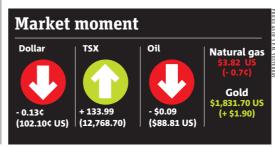
wavered generally downward, dipping to 551 million in summer 2010 and sliding again this summer to 543 million, according to

projections from box-office tracker Hollywood.com.

Two so-so summers in a row are a sign of the tough task studios face to keep butts in theatre seats at a time when audiences have more entertainment options than ever.

"One down summer you could lay at the doorstep of a lack of quality films, audience indifference, whatever. But more than one or two years becomes a trend," said Hollywood.com analyst Paul Dergarabedian.

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UNIVERSITY 101: A COURSE OF **MISDIRECTION**

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JOHN MAZEROLLE METRO

Another university year is beginning, so post-secondary students are about to learn important "life lessons" that will stay with them long after they've forgotten what Pi is

(it's a number).

So that I might save you from the high cost of tuition, books, and 55 metric tonnes of Mr. Noodles, here they are:

Condoms are king: Welcome to university, the only organization that gets away with

putting a prophylactic in its orientation kit. This would be less well received at, say, Microsoft. Nary a frosh week organizer will pass up the opportunity to offer you a free condom. "Hi, I'm the leader of the Fundamentalist Christian Fellowship," they'll say. "Would you like a Trojan?"

High school has not prepared you: Real university preparation courses would only upset parents, because they would have names like, "101 things to do with your surplus condoms" and "Beggars CAN be choosers: Getting the most from your local soup kitchen.'

No one cares about you: In Grade 12, your teacher listened patiently as you explained your poor mark was because the exchange student, Olaf Gooberson, rejected your advances. In university, your professor will sympathize with you only in select circumstances, such as if you are actively dead. Even then, she'll expect a doctor's note.

Textbooks are not your friend: The average university textbook weighs more than the average student, and that weight is both physical and emotional. For many of you, this purchase will be the first time you've ever gone into a store with a big wad of money, paid for something that was still in its plastic wrap, and not felt good about it. Fortunately they're a good value because humans are genetically incapable of throwing away textbooks, which will live on as doorstops and window jams until you die.

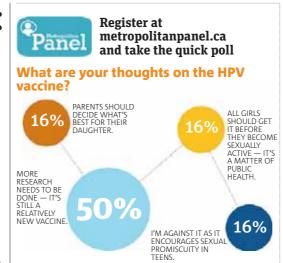
Students are (very) amateur philosophers: Like a 10-yearold who learns a new swear word, many university students learn a few simple philosophical concepts and can't stop spouting them. For instance, you will hear "How do I know anything is real?" multiple times. If you hear anybody say that, slap them. If they complain, explain that the pain is not real, but rather a byproduct of humanity's inability to perceive time. Then hit them again. For me.

University is just another step: When I was graduating, choosing community college over university was seen by teachers as a career move only slightly better than holding up a convenience store. Between the hype and the price, university no doubt seems like the be-all and endall. But it's not.

The important thing to remember is, no matter how you do, and no matter what happens over the next four years, you will never, ever run out of condoms, obsolete textbooks, or tired philosophical catchphrases

Some people also collect memories and knowledge, if you're into that sort of thing.

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Local tweets



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@stvndffy:

#thingsweneedtochange Our obsession with posting every detail of our lives on the Internet"

- @SarNicolee: the idea that university is better than college. When realistically it isn't.
- **@realistjordan:** Stop using the word swag in every sentence
- @KaylaExplainsIt: How we date...i wouldnt mind a

- good ole fashioned courtship
- @DarrenG_: Stop worrying about other people and worry about yourself
- @alyshavillegas: The fact that this is our last few days of summer.
- @paigeb_xo143: . @justinbieber doesnt follow me ;(
- @ritu_bahsin: 3 cities in #Canada on list of most liveable world cities. #Toronto is 4th. Ouch, no **#US** cities!
- @jebelfontaine: Wishing my income-to-debt ratio looked like @spaikin 's followers-to-following twitter ratio.

Worth Mentioning

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

Poet Maya Angelou says the way a quote from Martin Luther King Jr. was paraphrased on his new memorial in Washington makes the civil rights leader sound like an "arrogant twit."

Angelou, who consulted on the memorial, told The Washington Post that the shortened version sounds egotistical and should be changed.

The phrase is from a speech shortly before King's assassination in 1968 in which he talked about how people should remember him.

In the original, King starts by saying, "If you want to say that I was a drum major, say that I was a drum major for justice," King told the congregation. "Say that I was a drum major for peace. I was a drum major for righteousness. And all of the other shallow things will not matter."

All that is condensed on King's memorial as "I was a drum major for justice, peace and righteous-

"The 'if' clause that is left out is salient. Leaving it out changes the meaning completely," Angelou told The Washington Post. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Cartoon by Michael de Adder



Dalhousie prof quits over lack of parking

Frustrated with the "ridiculous" lack of parking on campus, a Dalhousie University professor has quit his job.

Dan Middlemiss, an expert in Canadian defence policy and professor in the political science department, said he decided to leave his job of 30 years because he had to arrive on campus hours before his first class to snag a spot in oversold lots.

"It's just silly. It's been 30 years of

frustration," said Middlemiss, adding he made his final decision Monday after waiting hours in line to buy a parking pass only to be told he would have to come back the next day.

He said he always had to drive from home in Lower Sackville at around 7 a.m. to secure a parking spot for his 2:30 p.m. class.

There are just 2,000 parking spaces on the Halifax campus for 17,000 students and 3,000 employees, a predicament Middlemiss called "ridiculous."

Last year, the university oversold the number of parking passes by 65 per cent. But this year it aims to oversell by only 30 per cent. At the same time, the university has turned 184 general parking spots into reserved spots. Torstar News Service



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News in brief



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Calling all dancing queens

• While they did provide some awkward times, did you ever wish you could revisit your school dances?

BACKSTAGE PASS

JENNIFER LARAWAY



If you think planning a party is easy, try planning an event that confronts a

lot of people's most awkward moments of junior high and high school — the dance party.

It's the perfect storm of vulnerability, insecurity, and of course, hormones. Despite all those reasons not to go, they always turned out to be one hell of a time, especially if you got to dance with that cute boy or girl you had been crushing on for the last five minutes.

Fast forward 10, 20 or even 30 years and not much has changed, which is exactly what spurred Patty Thille to enlist the help of her two friends, Janine Cote and Mark Hopkins, to throw a slow dance party at Club Sapien (1140 10 Ave. SW) from 8:30 p.m. to midnight on Sunday, Sept. 25.

"The atmosphere is friendly and respectful, which fits with the hope we have to remove the awkwardness and anxieties that slow dances often provoked when we were younger," says Thille, who has a few tricks she learned from the first slow dance event. As a result, she says, "I've really

150 Over 150 people are expected to show for the slow dance party.

been impressed by the event's success in embracing gender and sexual orientation diversity."

The proof is in the pudding. For Thille, details make all the difference. She even has a team dedicated to selecting all the songs for the evening.

"It's very hard to narrow it down," Thille says. But, if there is one thing for certain, there won't be any cheesy nostalgic songs to kill the mood.

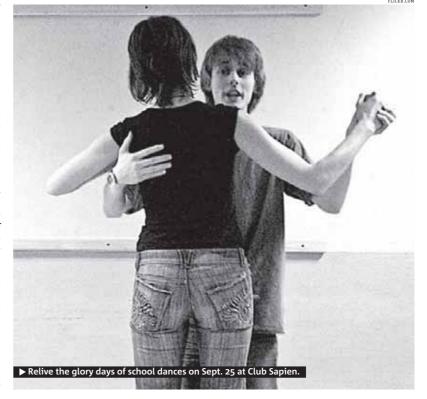
"Last time, I found myself laughing out loud when we were literally begging each other not to cut particular songs."

Sorry Bryan Adams, you're out of luck.

Also up Thille's sleeve is a team of "designated dancers" wearing rainbow coloured sashes who will break the ice with any wall-flowers. Then there are the secret mailboxes, where party-goers can drop notes to each other. But these party favours are limited, so you need to get to the event early in order to claim one

Tickets are only available at the door for \$10 and all the proceeds benefit the Calgary Sexual Health Centre

For more information, visit clubsapien.ca.



Baby got back ... Ribs

Canada's oldest BBQ competition is back for another year of savoury delights and entertainment.

BBQ on the Bow executive producer Debra Wong shares how her team keeps this 19-year tradition fresh: "It's really a unique event that has something for everyone including top chef grilling demos, a general store with fresh local produce, and a main stage of performers."

This year's event includes 24 handpicked celebrity judges for Saturday's Sauce and Chef's Challenge Competition. Winners of this year's event qualify for the world-class competitions in Kansas City and Tennessee. Taking place Sunday, Sept. 4 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. in Eau Claire Festival Plaza, BBQ on the Bow is free to the public.

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Chew on this

◆ ABC replaces soaps with The Chew, a food and lifestyle show ◆ But will it fly with disgruntled soap opera fans?

Gnaw on this: Can some of food and style TV's biggest stars, Mario Batali and Clinton Kelly among them, help ABC soap fans get over the cancellation of their favourite stories?

The network's counting on it for The Chew.

Iron Chef or Martha Stewart this isn't. Nor will the five co-hosts take on top news of the day like their cousins over at The View once the show premieres live on Sept. 26 in place of All My Children and One Life to Live. What you'll see is simple, fun tips for cheap and easy living.

During a recent practice run, the ever-adorable Iron Chef Michael Symon salted skirt steak as he shared about his Greek-Sicilian mother and made it clear: Vinaigrette is two parts fat



to one part acid.

Kelly, co-host of TLC's What Not to Wear, urged parents to bring their kids back to the dinner table by letting them draw on butcher block paper for placemats.

If it sounds like stuff the more sophisticated Stewart might have thought up in kindergarten, you're right, but that's OK with Chew's executive producer, Gordon Elliott.

He's going for "easily digestible, pardon the pun."

"I really don't believe that disgruntled refugees from All My Children and One Life to Live will swallow The Chew," said TV analyst Shari Anne Brill.

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Damon goes viral

▶ Matt Damon, director Steven Soderbergh team up for Contagion ▶ Both now take extra care washing their hands



METRO WORLD NEWS IN HOLLYWOOD

While working for Steven Soderbergh is an easy choice for Matt Damon — the two have teamed up on the three Oceans movies, Che and the Informant! — the eclectic director's pitch for their latest collaboration, Contagion, gave Damon pause. "He sent it over to me with a note saying, 'Read this and then wash your hands,'" Damon remembers.

The warning was well-founded, though, as Contagion covers some nerve-rattling subject matter: A new virus quickly spreads throughout the world, quickly becoming an epidemic, while scientists and doctors race to find a cure while governments work to keep society from falling apart. What surprised Soderbergh the most about the film was how easy it was to get made. "Everyone felt there was a place for an ultra-realistic film about this subject. Nobody hesitated," he says. "It all happened very quickly — uncharacteristically quickly, actually, considering what the business is right now for adult dramas.

Damon is only one part of the massive, big-name cast Soderbergh assembled for Contagion. Playing Damon's wife - and Patient Zero - is Gwyneth Paltrow, while the Talented Mr. Ripley co-star, Jude Law, pops up as an opportunistic blogger. On the disease-fighting side, Marion Cotillard plays a World Health Organization investigator, while Kate Winslet and Laurence Fishburne's CDC officials work stateside. For Fishburne, the ap-



peal of the project was simple. "I was kind of blown away by how smart it was, because a lot of what is being made now is kind of stupid," he says.

But that doesn't mean working on the movie has had any impact on Damon's disaster preparedness. But then he's always been bad about stuff like

"After the Northridge quake, I put the flashlight by my bed for like two weeks, and then forgot about it," he admits, though now that he's a parent his behaviour has certainly changed. "I'm probably more protective than I've ever been now that I have children," he says.

"My wife's name for me is Red Alert. I sometimes just check to see if the kids are breathing."

Despite playing a CDC specialist in the film, Fishburne says none of the germ-phobia rubbed off on him. "I ain't afraid of germs, and I ain't afraid of

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"Everyone felt there was a place for an ultrarealistic film about this subject."

DIRECTOR STEVEN SODERBERGH

getting sick," he says. "Dying, that's some other s—."

As for Soderbergh, working on Contagion certainly has made him much more aware of the microscopic dangers around him.

"I don't know if my behaviour has changed. I'm just really aware of it now," he says.

"Somebody set up this microphone, I was handed some lip balm by one of the makeup people, which I took a Kleenex and cleaned off, but who knows if that worked. So don't get near my mouth. Having gone through it, I'm always going to be conscious of it now."

But it's not all fear and paranoia, Soderbergh admits. Taking the movie out into the world has produced some surprisingly entertaining moments—even if they are at his audience's expense. "It was fun during the preview to watch the lights come up and 400 people realize that they're next to a bunch of strangers and that they've touched everything," he says, a mischievous glint in his eye.

"You could tell they weren't happy."



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A love remake for Biel and Timberlake?



• Former flames spotted enjoying a meal in Toronto

Jessica Biel and Justin Timberlake put an end to their relationship back in March, but now there's speculation that their breakup might not stick for much longer, according to Hollyscoop.

Biel and Timberlake were spotted recently sharing brunch and a leisurely bike ride in Toronto, where Biel is currently filming.

"They were in good spirits," an eyewitness says. "They seemed happy. They had brunch together. They were talking. They enjoyed their food. They had a nice time."

But even if the pair are rekindling their flame, don't expect Timberlake to get too talkative about

"In my 30 years, she is the most special person," he told Vanity Fair in

"I don't want to say much more, because I have to protect things that are dear to me — for instance. her.'

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Gaga reveals inner dude

Lady Gaga apparently went to great lengths to become her male alterego, Jo Calderone, at the MTV Video Music Awards.

Along with a suit, five o'clock shadow and a pair of men's underwear, the Born this Way singer reportedly donned a prosthetic penis underneath her manly ensemble to complete the overall illusion, according to Us Weekly.

It apparently helped, as Gaga stayed in character throughout the entire night, even during backstage interviews.

'I am not a singer or a model or an actor or anything," she told the press after accepting the award for Best Female Video.

The performer is known for her characterbuilding stunts.

"I am just a guy," she continued.

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Celebrity tweets



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and throwing them at people counts.... I'm totally down with fighing with words."



expecting a baby. Man, that kid is

"Bevonce &

Jay-Z are

gonna have everything! Except a last name."

we get America back up to speed again???"



of all men in the U.S. driving convertibles are re-

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al estate agents."

Biebs' first crash

Justin Bieber reached another milestone — his first ever reported fender-bender. The 17-yearold singer's black Ferrari reportedly collided with a Honda Civic in an underground parking lot com-

pound, according to reports in the L.A. Times.

famous moptopped entertainer was behind the wheel at the time of the collision, according to reports.

"No one was injured and there was no damage to either vehicle," the LAPD said in a statement released shortly after.

Gossip Girl romance with DiCaprio gets 'Lively'



Actress Blake Lively made quite the hefty trek for a belated birthday meao with rumored boyfriend Leonardo DiCaprio.

The actress reportedly flew to Australia, where he's filming the Great Gatsby, reports Us Weekly.

Sources say the famous pair shared a romantic dinner in Sydney to toast Lively's 24th birthday.



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Canadian fashion blog The Coveteur is taking a peek into the dressers, drawers, closets and safes of ladies and gents in the frontline of the fashion industry

Site brings style savvy out of the closet

A moniker marrying the words "covet" and "voyeur" seems fitting for a site offering glimpses into people's closets, but there's much more to homegrown fashion blog The Coveteur than a series of random snapshots.

The Canadian trio behind the buzzworthy blog is keen on capturing intimate portraits of personal style within a cosy, familiar environment typically beyond the glare of the spotlight.

Since launching this year, The Coveteur has won fans with its photographic profiles of the stylish private spaces of notable names, as well as those working behind the scenes in the fashion world.

"I think people are all voyeurs. Everyone wants



artists and hairstylists, who usually don't receive the same level of recognition.

behind-the-scenes access," Street style was a huge as their closeid designer Erin Kleining influence for Kleinberg and kind of really

berg, one of the founders.
"People are visual and they want to see imagery, and they want to see exclusive content, for sure."

Street style was a huge influence for Kleinberg and stylist Stephanie Mark, but both wanted to take the concept one step further.

Rather than strictly chronicling what people were wearing, they came up with the idea of adopting a more personal approach: going into individuals' homes to peruse and capture snapshots of the clothes, accessories and prized keepsakes adorning their closets.

"Once we started shooting, the element of environment really came into play then," Mark said. "We realized the environment was just as much about a person

as their clothing... they kind of really complement each other."

Rounding out the Toronto trio is photographer Jake Rosenberg. The team had previously collaborated on one of Kleinberg's lookbooks shot by Rosenberg and styled by Mark.

For someone accustomed to shooting fashion on figures, Rosenberg said the notion of capturing images of closets was an entirely new concept.

In certain cases, the process turned out to be a revelation of sorts for the subjects themselves, he noted

"A lot of people say after

The site stats

Wondering how thecoveteur.com came to be?

- The Coveteur netted 20,000 hits the day it launched in January, and what initially started off as a fun passion project has evolved into a full-time commitment that sometimes involves travel to locations such as New York and Los Angeles.
- The site also features ecommerce, allowing users scrolling through the various images to shop the look they see featured in the closets.

we've gone through their closet, 'Oh my God, I totally forgot that I had all this stuff in there," Rosenberg said

The Coveteur has embarked on a special collaboration with luxury retailer Holt Renfrew, including a lookbook showcasing fall designer footwear, a photo exhibit featuring the closets of resident tastemakers, and dedicated window installations at locations across the country.

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Another celebrity fashion label?

◆ The latest growth spurt in celebrity clothing lines is upon us ◆ We rate the newest batch



From the Kardashian sisters's new collection for the

American chain store, Sears, to rumours of a Kanye West-designed shoe line with Giuseppe Zanotti, the month has been rife with celebrity clothing lines launches and news. The idea of famous people trying their hand at fashion design can be a yawn, especially when you think of past flops such as Jennifer Lopez's Sweetface or Lindsay Lohan's debacle at

Emanuel Ungaro. But there have been some surprising hits too from Victoria Beckham's eponymous women's label to Mary-Kate and Ashley Olsen's The Row. And let us not forget

the puzzling, mega-money-making hit that is Jessica Simpson's clothing empire. We look at the bold-faced names that have launched clothing lines in the past year and rate the results.

The scale

- Tabloid material: You'll happily read about the collection on your favourite celeb blogs. But would you ever wear it? Hell no.
- Markdown only: It's kind of cute and worth waiting for end-of-season sales.
- Bag it: The line has your name written all. over. it.

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WHY DESIGN?

HOW'S IT LOOKING?

RATING



The Kardashians Kollection for Sears



The sibling queens of reality TV will do anything to keep you talking about them, including designing a 41-piece collection that could have come straight out of their closet.

The much hyped line launched on August 11 smack dab in the middle of the even bigger media hype over Kimmy's wedding. Coincidence? We think not.

Tabloid material



Georgia May Jagger for Hudson jeans



Any self-respecting daughter of A-listers has to show that there's more to her existence than just being the pretty progeny of superstar parents. In the case of Mick Jagger's model daughter, that means designing pricey denim.

It's hard to screw up jeans. Georgia's line includes tightly cut mid-rise skinnies with quirky details like lace ties running down the length of the legs – thank Mom, Jerry Hall and her Studio 54 days for that little gem.

Markdown only



Jennifer Lopez and Marc Anthony for Kohl's



She's done it before. Plus, all of America tuned in to American Idol weekly to see her snazzy looks. A diva's gotta capitalize off of that. Kohl's has gone pretty quiet on promo'ing Marc Anthony's menswear half of the line, though. Divorce does not a good ad campaign make.

One-shouldered blouses, tight jeans, animal print dresses, knee-high boots, blingy jewelry: The clothes basically look like lesser expensive versions of the hyper-sexy stuff Lopez usually

Tabloid material —unless you're one of the millions who coveted her A.I. costumes, in which case: Bag

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the Javits Center in New

York is packed with the latest and greatest in lamps, rugs, salad bowls and more as the New York International Gift Fair displays housewares to thousands of buyers of retail stores.

The show — one of the largest of its kind with 2,800 exhibitors from the United States, Canada and around the world - features the best in home decor and entertaining accessories.

I took a peek around this trade-only event and checked out the latest looks being offered up this season.

Here are some of the trends you'll be seeing in retail stores and online this fall.



Hicks 1970s inspiration

Geometric and herringbone patterns inspired by '70s design king David Hicks seem to be enjoying a revival.

This time around both colours mixed with neutrals helped update the famous prints on wallpaper, rugs, pillows and furnishings.

Jonathan Adler, sand herringbone rug, \$1,550 jonathanadler.com

Making big weaves

Another old time craft makes a comeback as several designers constructed items using weave techniques in materials such as wicker, knit and even rubber.

Tote bags everywhere!

Tote bag mania continues and I saw examples of ubiquitous item made from pretty much anything. New this year: big, sturdy zippers, clasps and lots of leather handles and straps for durability. The Run Run **Run Italian Shopper** Tote bag is superstylish and made of recycled water bottles. It can be purchased for \$45 at kickstarter.com.



Favourite find:

Little Black Dress closet organizer

This tongue-in-cheek gadget, which can be hung over a door or closet rod, keeps your jewelry and hairpins in order. \$25, umbra.com



Letter and number motifs

Letters and numbers showed up everywhere whether on traditional or modern decor and were what buyers were flocking to. I spotted examples on French linen pillows, totebags and hand-blocked artwork to name a few.

Primitives by Kathy pillow, \$30, Primitivesbykathy.



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That '70s style

▶ For keeping track of this fall's decor trends, you might want your GPS handy
▶ We're headed into the urban jungle, then off to the Great Continents
▶ Designers have also set the Wayback Machine for the 1970s
▶ Here's a look at what's ahead



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METROPOLITAN CHIC

Designers are using city streets as both literal and figurative inspiration this fall, with pieces that have urban edge.

CB2's fall collection includes a stoneware bowl etched with a tire tread pattern and the Bingo rug, with a black, white and yellow graphic, which resembles city lights at night.

SILK ROAD STYLE

From Indian bazaars, African souks and Asian markets we're seeing a feast of colours, patterns and style elements. Watch for sequin embellishments and elephant and tiger motifs. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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Dear Diane B.,

First, when you go shopping I don't want you to worry or stress about thread count.

Feel the sheets and remember the fabric has "sizing" (a combination of light glue and starch which makes them stiff so they look nice in the retail store), so you really need to buy one sheet, wash it and sleep with it.

Myself, I like sheets with "percale" in the summer — this is a closely woven smooth finish cotton. In the winter I love flannel sheets, and the best part of flannel for me is that they are warm on cold nights.

Once you find a brand of sheets you like, you should have a minimum of two sets, And finally in a perfect world bed sheets should be changed weekly. HAVE A QUESTION? EMAIL ASKCHARLESTHEBUTLERGMETRONEWS.CA

A BATHTUB IN THE BEDROOM — YAY OR NAY?

When listing 12 things she can't live without for ELLE's August decor issue, Gwyneth Paltrow included a fancy bathtub in the middle of her bedroom, without an ounce of irony.

Celeb journalists rolled their eyes like, "That's just Gwyneth being all Gwyneth." But in actuality, the bedroom bathtub has become very trendy in interior decor land. We weigh the pros and cons.

PROS

When you're tired after a long day at work, you can literally roll right out of the bathtub and into the

- When your eyes are still groggy from the night's sleep, you can literally roll right out of bed and into the bathtub.
- Those special date nights could be twice as

CONS



- ► Um. hello. mildew?
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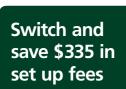
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From everyday to very elegant

This tasty Warm Salad of Grilled Chicken Thighs, Figs & Parmigiano-Reggiano upgrades side dishes



Skinless chicken breasts have become the new cottage cheese — the ubiquitous base upon which weight-loss diets are built.

But it still doesn't register well on the excitement meter. That's where chicken thighs come in. Sure, they aren't as low in fat, but being skinless and by trimming all visible fat they become fairly low in fat and they're flavourful.

Salad of Grilled Chicken Thighs, Figs & Parmigiano-Reggiano

Preparation:

- In a large bowl, combine half each of the vinegar and rosemary. Season with salt and pepper. Add chicken and toss to coat. Cover and marinate at room temperature for 15 minutes or in refrigerator for up to 4 hours, turning chicken occasionally.
- Place onions in a large bowl and add remaining red wine vinegar and a pinch of salt. Mix and set aside for 15 minutes to 1 hour, tossing occasionally.

- Heat a grill or grill pan to medium-low. Place chicken thighs on grill and cook for 15 to 20 minutes or until nicely browned and cooked through, turning chicken halfway through grilling. Transfer chicken to a plate and sprinkle with basil. Set aside.
- Add arugula, figs and remaining rosemary to onions and vinegar. Gently toss salad, then season with salt and pepper. Divide salad among 4 serving plates. Place chicken thigh

Ingredients:

- 60 ml (4 tbsp) red wine vinegar, divided
- 10 ml (2 tsp) chopped fresh rosemary, divided
- Salt and black pepper
- 8 bone-in, skinless chicken thighs, each cut into 2 pieces each (1 to 1.15 kg/ to 2 to 2 1/2 lb total)
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) thinly sliced red onion
- 5 ml (1 tsp) chopped fresh basil
- 2 ripe fresh figs, cut lengthwise into quarters
- 2 l (8 cups) loosely packed fresh arugula
- 30 g (1 oz) Parmigiano-Reggiano cheese, shaved

halves around salad, then sprinkle salads with shaved Parmigiano-Reggiano. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/ ROCCO DISPIRITO



With Kitchen Simple: Essential Recipes for Everyday Cooking (Random House, 2011) James Peterson elevates routine fare into exciting eats.

The book presents creative takeson weeknight meals, impromptu dinner parties and inspired lastminute desserts.

More than 200 recipes such as Mexican-Style Gazpacho, Ricotta Ravioli, Clam Chowder, Roast Rack of Lamb, Cream Puffs, Stuffed Zucchini and more make up Kitchen Simple.

Pospisil keeps Canada's U.S. Open hopes alive

Vasek Pospisil is starting to feel like he belongs among the world's top tennis players.

The native of Vernon, B.C., won the first Grand Slam match of his career yesterday by crushing Lukas Rosol 6-1, 6-2, 6-1 to reach the second round of the U.S. Open.

Pospisil needed just 82 minutes to dispatch the Czech after converting on seven of 13 break point chances.

"This is my second slam, so I'm still new to the scene," he said. "It takes a little bit of getting comfortable with these guys.

"In the past maybe it wasn't like that for me. But that is changing fast. I feel like I belong out there"

He'll face No. 25 seed Feliciano Lopez in the second round. The Spaniard was a quarter-finalist at Wimbledon in July.

"He will be fough, they're all tough at this level," said Pospisil, who is ranked 143rd in the world. "But I've been playing well for the last couple of months so I'm looking forward to it. I'm confident"

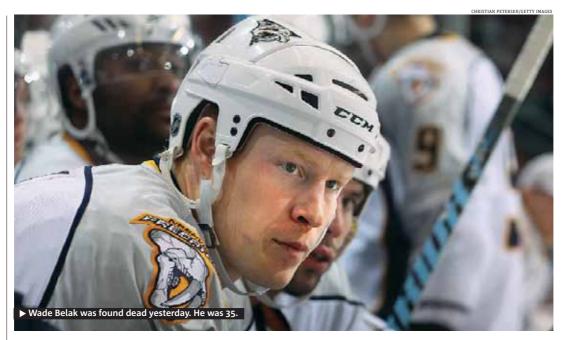
The 21-year-old is coming off a win over Argentine Juan Chela at the Rogers Cup earlier this month. He exited the Montreal tournament with a second-round loss to Roger Federer.

Against Rosol yesterday, Pospisil piled on 13 aces and 13 winners. The Canadian also fended off six break points.

"It was tight at the start but I returned well," he said. "That might have gotten to him — he saw a lot of his serves coming back. I was serving well and putting more pressure on him and trying to break him down.

"I was really feeling my returns today. When I can serve and return well, I can really pressure opponents."

Pospisil is the lone Canadian singles player left in the tournament. THE CANADIAN PRESS



'We've lost a lot in the last three months'

NHL left reeling after Wade Belak found dead, the third player to die since May League had already lost Derek Boogaard and Rick Rypien

The NHL's summer of sadness continued yesterday after recently retired player Wade Belak was found dead in Toronto, becoming the third enforcer to die in a harrowing span of four months. He was 35.

Belak's body was discovered at a downtown Toronto hotel and condo complex in the early afternoon. Specific details of his death were not immediately available.

The news struck a tragic chord around the hockey world, especially after the recent deaths of New York Rangers forward Derek Boogaard and Winnipeg Jets forward Rick Rypien.

"As everyone knows there have been some real losses that we've experienced over the years, but it never seemed like there was three in a row like this," said Pat Quinn, who coached Belak when he played in Toronto. "Any-body that's around this game, you feel like it's part of your big family, and that includes the fans and all the people that support these players and get to know them. We've lost a lot in the last three months.

"You don't replace it. You just hope the ones that are left behind can live through it and be all right." Like Rypien and Boogaard, Belak largely made his living with his fists. He fought 136 times during an NHL career that spanned 14 seasons, according to hockeyfights.com.

The string of incidents has raised uncomfortable questions about a possible link between the difficult role each man played in the NHL and his untimely death.

"We're talking about such a short period of time," said Craig Button, who was the general manager of the Calgary Flames when Belak played there early in his career. "It's not only about the deaths, it's the deaths that surround similar type players. ...

"It's not just getting hit in the head, it's everything that goes with that (enforcer) role."

Belak was popular among the media off the ice because of his friendly, easy-going demeanour.

He spent parts of three seasons with the Predators prior to retiring over the summer. Belak was scheduled to work on Nashville's television broadcasts this coming year and had recently travelled to Toronto to be a contestant on the CBC show "Battle of the Blades." THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Hargreaves headed to Manchester City



Manchester City made Owen Hargreaves the most unexpected signing of the summer transfer window when the injury-plagued midfielder joined on a onevear deal.

The Calgary-born Hargreaves was released by English champion Manchester United at the end of last season after failing to complete a match in three years because of knee, shoulder and hamstring trouble.

However, the 30-year-old former England midfielder has proven his fitness to City, where he will likely be a backup to Netherlands international Nigel de Jong on the big-spending, starstudded squad.

Hargreaves is City manager Roberto Mancini's sixth summer signing — and could be a shrewd one if he manages to avoid more of the injuries that have derailed a career that peaked during the 2006 World Cup when he was arguably England's best performer in Germany.

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Tampa Bay (Niemann 9-5) at Texas (C.Wilson 13-6), 8:05 p.m.

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N.Y. Giants at New England, 7:30 p.m.
Dallas at Miami, 7:30 p.m. Tampa Bay at Washington, 7:30 p.m. St. Louis at Jacksonville, 7:30 p.m. Philadelphia at N.Y. Jets, 7:30 p.m Cleveland at Chicago, 8 p.m. Kansas City at Green Bay, 8 p.m. Houston at Minnesota, 8 p.m.

Tennessee at New Orleans, 8 p.m. Pittsburgh at Carolina, 8 p.m. Denver at Arizona, 10 p.m. San Francisco at San Diego, 10 p.m

Tomorrow's game Oakland at Seattle, 10:30 p.m. End of Pre-Season

CIS FOOTBALL

WEEK ONE

Tonight's game All Times Eastern McGill at Montreal, 7 p.m. Tomorrow's games Bishop's at Sherbrooke, 7 p.m. Alberta at Saskatchewan, 10 p.m. British Columbia at Regina, 10 p.m. Saturday's games Laval at Concordia, 1 p.m. Calgary at Manitoba, 4 p.m.

Sunday's games Toronto at Windsor, 1 p.m. Laurier at York, 1 p.m.
Ottawa at Guelph, 1 p.m. McMaster at Queen's, 2 p.m.

Waterloo at Western Ontario, 7 p.m.

TENNIS

U.S. OPEN MEN

- First Round

Andy Murray (4), Britain, def. Somdev Devvarman, India, 7-6 (5), 6-2, 6-3. Julien Benneteau, France, def. Nicolas Almagro (10), Spain, 6-2, 6-4, 6-3. Gilles Simon (12), France, def. Ricardo Mello, Brazil, 3-6, 6-3, 6-4, 3-6, 6-4. Juan Martin del Potro (18), Argentina, def. Filippo Volandri, Italy, 6-3, 6-1, 6-1.
Andy Roddick (21), U.S., def. Michael Russell, U.S., 6-2, 6-4, 4-6, 7-5.

Feliciano Lopez (25), Spain, def. Tatsuma Ito,

Japan, 6-2, 6-4, 6-4.

John Isner (28), U.S., def. Marcos Baghdatis,
Cyprus, 7-6 (2), 7-6 (11), 2-6, 6-4. Vasek Pospisil, Vernon, B.C., def. Lukas Rosol,

Czech Republic, 6-1, 6-2, 6-1. Rogerio Dutra da Silva, Brazil, def. Louk Sorensen, Ireland, 6-2, 6-4, 6-4.

Diego Junqueira, Argentina, def. Karol Beck, Slovakia, 6-2 (retired). Robin Haase, Netherlands, def. Rui Machado,

Portugal, 6-0, 6-4, 6-4. Guillermo Garcia-Lopez, Spain, def. Daniel Gi meno-Traver, Spain, 6-3, 1-6, 7-6 (1), 4-6, 7-6 (4).

Denis Istomin, Uzbekistan, def. Ryan Sweeting, U.S., 3-6, 7-5, 6-4, 7-6 (4).

Alex Bogomolov, Jr., U.S., def. Steve Johnson, U.S., 4-6, 4-6, 6-3, 7-6 (3), 6-3. Robby Ginepri, U.S., def. Joao Souza, Brazil, 6-3,

6-4, 6-7 (5), 6-1.

Jack Sock, U.S., def. Marc Gicquel, France, 6-4, 6-3, 1-6, 6-4. **Doubles — First Round**

Ivo Karlovic, Croatia, and Frank Moser, Germany def. Bob and Mike Bryan (1), U.S., 6-4, 2-6, 6-2. Max Mirnyi, Belarus, and **Daniel Nestor (2), Torono**, def. Santiago Giraldo, Colombia, and Pere Riba, Spain, 6-3, 6-2.

Eric Butorac, U.S., and Jean-Julien Rojer (8), Netherlands Antilles, def. Grigor Dimitrov, Bulgaria, and Dmitry Tursunov, Russia. 6-7 (3).

Jurgen Melzer, Austria, and Philipp Petzschner (9), Germany, def. Santiago Gonzalez, Mexico, and Jamie Murray, Britain, 6-3, 6-0. Daniele Bracciali and Potito Starace, Italy def. Frantisek Cermak, Czech Republic, and Filip Polasek (11), Slovakia, 6-4, 6-4. Marcel Granollers and Marc Lopez (13). Spain, def. Guillermo Garcia-Lopez and Albert

Montanes, Spain, 3-0 (retired). Michael Kohlmann and Alexander Waske Germany, def. Scott Lipsky and Rajeev Ram

(16), U.S., 5-7, 7-6 (6), 7-6 (5). WOMEN

Singles — Second Round

Vera Zvonareva (2), Russia, def. Katervna Bondarenko, Ukraine, 7-5, 3-6, 6-3 Maria Sharapoya (3), Russia, def. Anastasiya Yakimova, Belarus, 6-1, 6-1. Christina McHale, U.S., def. Marion Bartoli (8),

France, 7-6 (2), 6-2. Sam Stosur (9), Australia, def. CoCo Vandeweghe U.S., 6-3, 6-4.

Peng Shuai (13), China, def. Tsvetana Pironkova. Bulgaria, 6-2, 6-4. Irina Falconi, U.S., def. Dominika Cibulkova (14),

Slovakia, 2-6, 6-3, 7-5 Julia Goerges (19), Germany, def. Laura Pous Tio, Spain, 6-3, 6-1.

Alla Kudryavtseva, Russia, def. Yanina Wick-mayer (20), Belgium, 6-1, 3-0 (retired).

Sabine Lisicki (22), Germany, def. Venus

Williams, U.S. (walkover). Nadia Petrova (24), Russia, def. Polona Hercog,

Slovenia, 6-2, 6-4. Maria Kirilenko (25), Russia, def. Vera Dushevina, Russia, 6-1, 6-2. Flavia Pennetta (26), Italy, def. Romina Oprandi,

Italy, 6-0, 6-3. Lucie Safarova (27), Czech Republic, def. Madison Keys, U.S., 3-6, 7-5, 6-4. Anabel Medina Garrigues (30), Spain, def.

Laura Robson, Britain, 6-2, 6-3 Monica Niculescu, Romania, def. Alexandra Dulgheru, Romania, 6-3, 6-0. **Doubles — First Round**

Vania King, U.S., and Yaroslava Shvedova (3), Kazakhstan, def. Petra Cetkovska and Renata

Voracova, Czech Republic, 6-1, 6-2. Liezel Huber and Lisa Raymond (4), U.S., def. Raquel Kops-Jones and Abigail Spears, U.S., 6-2,

Andrea Hlavackova and Lucie Hradecka (8). Czech Republic, def. Bojana Jovanovski, Serbia, and Varvara Lepchenko, U.S., 6-0, 7-5. Iveta Benesova and Barbora Zahlavova Strycova (9), Czech Republic, def. Monica Niculescu, Romania, and Shahar Peer, Israel, 5-7, 6-4, 7-5. Andreja Klepac, Slovenia, and Anna Tatishvili,

Georgia, def. Chan Yung-ian Chan, Taiwan, and Anastasia Rodionova (10), Australia, 4-6, 6-4,

HOCKEY

IIHF WOMEN'S 12 NATIONS

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6	4	0	0	2	25	10	12
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Czech Republic 3 1 Note: Three points awarded for a win in regulation two for an overtime win and one for losing in

overtime. Yesterday's results At Vierumaki, Finland

Sweden 6 Canada 4 U.S. 6 Finland 0 Tuesday's results
At Vierumaki, Finland
Canada 3 Finland 2 U.S. 2 Sweden 0 At Courcheval, France

Germany 4 Norway 3 (OT) Czech Republic 2 France 1 Tomorrow's game All Times Eastern At Vierumaki, Finlar Sweden vs. Finland, 11 a.m. Saturday's game

Saturday's game
At Vierumaki, Finland
Finland vs. Sweden, 8 a.m.
Conclusion of Tournament (no playoffs)

SOCCER

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FASTERN CONFERENCE

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GP W L T GF 26 14 3 9 37 27 13 5 9 42 Los Angeles 20 29 Seattle Dallas 27 13 7 7 36 27 13 7 7 36 28 10 7 11 39 24 11 7 6 33 26 9 12 5 33 27 7 10 10 32 26 5 10 11 27 26 4 13 9 27 Colorado Real Salt Lake Portland Chivas USA San Jose Vancouver **Saturday's game**

All Times Eastern

Philadelphia at Real Salt Lake, 9 p.m. Monday's game Los Angeles at Kansas City, 6 n.m.

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x-Carolina	23	16	4	3	47	21	51		
x-Puerto Rico	24	13	5	6	38	29	45		
Tampa Bay	23	9	7	7	36	31	34		
Edmonton	24	8	10	6	29	34	30		
Minnesota	23	7	8	8	23	25	29		
Fort Lauderdale	23	6	7	10	30	32	28		
Montreal	23	6	10	7	27	25	25		
Atlanta	23	3	17	3	21	54	12		
x — clinched playoff berth.									

Tuesday's result Edmonton 1 Puerto Rico 1 All Times Eastern

Tampa Bay at Carolina, 7 p.m. Puerto Rico at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m. Montreal at Fort Lauderdale, 7:30 p.m. Minnesota at Edmonton, 9:30 p.m.

BASKETBALL

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At Mar del Plata, Argentina PRELIMINARY ROUND Yesterday's results Brazil 69 Canada 57 Argentina 86 Uruguay 51 Domincan Republic 92 Venezuela 89 Puerto Rico 101 Paraguay 55

Tuesday's results
Argentina 84 Paraguay 52 Brazil 92 Venezuela 83 Domincan Republic 90 Cuba 60 Puerto Rico 99 Panama 66

Today's games — All Times Eastern Paraguay vs. Panama, 10:30 a.m. Cuba vs. Venezuela, 1 p.m. Domincan Republic vs. Canada, 5 p.m. Uruguay vs. Puerto Rico, 7:30 p.m Tomorrow's games Canada vs. Cuba, 10:30 a.m.

Panama vs. Uruguay, 1 p.m. Brazil vs. Domincan Republic, 5 p.m. Puerto Rico vs. Argentina, 7:30 p.m.



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Crossword

Across

- 1 Tear 4 Radar screen spot
- 8 Speaker of baseball lore
- 12 Commotion
- 13 Righthand person
- 14 Abhor
- 15 Short cannon
- 17 Hibernia 18 Stolen
- 19 NASA or NATO
- 21 Mercury or Saturn 24 Yon maiden
- 25 No longer stylish
- 26 Uncivilized
- 28 Bushel fourths
- 32 Old card game
- 34 Auction action
- 36 Stereo alternative 37 "Give me liberty
- ..." speaker
- 39 Pistol
- 41 Triumphed
- 42 Pick a target
- 44 Fourscore
- 46 Old Glory features
- 50 PBS funding org. 51 Hula
- 52 Wall Street part-
- nership
- 56 Troubles
- 57 Neighborhood
- 58 Rotation duration
- 59 Sheltered
- 60 Reply to "Shall we?
- 61 Baltimore newspa-

per Down

- 1 "Go, team!"
- 2 Altar affirmative
- 3 Father of Pocahon-
- 7 Roost 8 Mathematical proposition 9 Reason for a tarpau-

4 Pancake makeup?

6 Concept

5 Claiborne of fashion

- 10 Macy Gray hit 11 Appear
- 16 Charged bit 20 Agt.
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- 27 Peruke
- 35 Payable 38 Shrill bark 40 Black-clad mercenaries
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 - 47 Turnpike payment 48 Characterization

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- 33 Walk

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- 49 Aching

Sudoku

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	9	2		7	5	
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		1		3		
1						2
	5	6		8	3	
6	1		3		9	8
9			4			7

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Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and

Yesterday's answer ▶

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Moon, Our love is deep n cosmic. Remember even though I am not with you physically, I can feel you 24/7 hon (seriously). So don't feel lonely, I am with all the time. I have been praying for you. Always loved you, always will. I have left my heart with you. Take care of it and look after yourself please. Sending my love **FROM LOVE YOU** ALWAYS N FOREVER

A look at the weather

TODAY

Min 6 <u>ኦ</u> Max 15° FRIDAY Min 8° Max 15°

Min 7° Max 19°

SATURDAY

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Today's horoscope

T Aries March 21-April 20 The planets are urging you to slow down and stop trying to be first past the post in everything you do.

Taurus April 21-May 21 Be on your guard whe dealing with people who have mysterious motives. If **Gemini** May 22-June 21 If

someone tells you there is something you cannot have, go out of your way to get your hands on it

Cancer June 22-July 22 You may not be under pressure at work

right now but don't use that as an

excuse to lower your standards.

Ω Leo July 23-Aug. 23 Don't be surprised if people you thought were on your side pick at what you do over the next 24 hours.

M Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 You're not the kind to give up on something because it's not easy. Good. You're close to a breakthrough. ← Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Some-

thing you thought you understood now baffles you. Focus on something else. The answer will come. M Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22

Don't let irritating people get to you. It will make them happy.

For today's crossword answers and for expanded horoscopes, ao to metronews.ca

₹ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec.

21 Your emotions could easily veep you away over the next day. り Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 A family problem doesn't seem

quite so important now but the underlying conflict hasn't gone away. Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18

Have you taken on too much? Just find ways to save energy and time but keep moving forward.

H Pisces Feb. 19-March 20.

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